GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SURFACE TRANSPORT
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4551
ANSWERED ON:24.04.2000
AMENDMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES ACT
ANNA SAHEB M.K. PATIL;NARESH KUMAR PUGLIA

Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government had amended certain provisions of Motor Vehicles Act, 1988 including fee for issuing duplicate Registration Certificate, permit and driving licence etc;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the reasons therefor;

(d) whether the inconvenience is being caused to the public on account of the enhancement of fee;

(e) if so, whether Government propose to review the said decision and roll back to the previous fee;

(f) if so, the time by which a decision is likely to be taken in this regard; (g) if not, the reasons therefor; (h) whether the Government have also standardised emission norms for different type of vehicles; (i) if so, the details thereof; and (j) the measures taken to implement them?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT

(DR. DEBENDRA PRADHAN)

(a) to (g) : No, Sir. However, certain amendments had been carried out in the Central Motor Vehicles Rules, 1989 through which fees for issuance of driving licenses, permit, registration certificate etc. were increased with effect from 22.10.1999 vide Gazette of India Notification No. GSR 684(E) dated 5.10.1999to meet the administrative expenses incurred by the State Governments for such services. Further, in pursuance to the agreement with the truck transport association during their strike in October, 1999, the hike in the fees have already been withdrawn with effect from 31st January, 2000, vide Gazette of India Notification No.GSR 76(E) dated 31.1.2000.

(h) to (j) : Yes, Sir. The Government have notified the emission standards for various categories of vehicles from time to time. Emission norms for different categories of vehicles were notified vide Gazette of India Notification No.GSR 493(E) dated 28.8.1997 which have come into effect from 1.4.2000 throughout the country. Further, in pursuance to the directions of the Hon`ble Supreme Court, stringent emission norms for four-wheeled motor vehicles having gross vehicle weight upto 3.5 tons for operation in the National Capital Region, Delhi have also been notified vide Gazette of India NotificationNo. GSR 77(E) dated 31.1.2000.These emission norms have come into effect from 1.4.2000. These Gazette Notifications have been circulated to all concerned viz. State Governments, authorized testing agencies and the automobile manufacturers for strict compliance.